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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIDFICATION

Please replace page 2, first paragraph, of the specification as follows:.

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation-in-part of <u>pending</u> U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/562,496, filed on May 1, 2000, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/295,687, filed on April 21, 1999, now U.S. Patent 6,203,542, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/268,616, filed on March 15, 1999,now U.S. Patent No. 6,159,208, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/136,079, filed on August 18, 1998, now U.S. Patent 6,086,585, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/083,526, filed May 22, 1998, <u>now U.S. Patent no. 6,053,172</u>, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/990,374, filed Dec. 15, 1997, <u>now U.S. Patent no. 6,109,268</u> which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/485,219 filed Jun. 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,697,281, the complete disclosures of which are each incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.